

REMARKS

The application has been amended and is believed to be in condition for allowance.

Prosecution of the merits is closed in accordance with Ex parte Quayle.

Claims 1, 2, 19 and 20 were allowed.

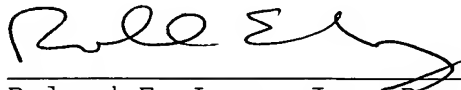
The remaining claims were indicated to be allowable apart from informalities. Each of the noted informalities has been corrected as directed by the Official Action.

Allowance of all the claims is therefore respectfully requested. Applicant believes that the present application is in condition for allowance and an early indication of the same is respectfully requested.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 25-0120 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17.

Respectfully submitted,

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